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away the issue of finances, largely, giving the people the right to vote on the issue, and the public making the statement that over 60 percent of them thought it was in their best interest, their children's best interest, the people who have asthma, the people who may not be afflicted with...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR PREISTER: ...any illness, and those people want to maintain and prevent illness. I want to use my last minute to shift gears and make a comment about the beer garden in the State Capitol...in the State Fair Park. When I introduced the original legislation that banned smoking in all of the state facilities, I introduced it uniformly. It would have banned it in all state-owned and leased vehicles and facilities. In order to get that through, I had to compromise. I think it was about the third time I introduced the bill. Senator Schellpeper at the time wanted the beer garden to be excluded on the State Fair Park, because during the State Fair people smoked outside in the beer garden. The reason that the language was done was because of the committee legal counsel for the General Affairs Committee, who worked for Senator Schellpeper, drafted it in such a way that it's broader than even Senator Schellpeper had intended.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator.

SENATOR PREISTER: And that's the reason we have that exemption, not because of uniformity.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Preister. On with discussion. Senator Schimek, followed by Senator Thompson.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes. Thank you, Mr. President and members. Senator Preister, when you said something about the beer garden in the State Capitol, there were a lot of heads going around like this, wondering where that was. (Laughter) Senator Bourne's amendment I have to stand up and oppose, of course. I have to stand up and oppose as hard as I can. Senator Bourne, I'm sure you don't have anything against we citizens who live in Lincoln. But I do remember it was your amendment on the State